### TRADE IS NOT DULL

Merchants Unite in Saying It Has Been Good

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIMES

some interesting Statements of Fact by the Mrs Who Buy and bell the

This week's Tradesman contains a number of interviews with business to, tending to show that trule is all

men, tending to show that trule in all branches is exceptionally good. The interviews are as follows:

E. A. Moseley (Moseley Bros.)—Our ensures during that period has been antirely satisfactory, and collections have been good. I believe it is true that Michigae generally has felt the efany other state in the Union.

W. P. Grauger (Grand Kapids Pack-ing a Practision company) Business has been much better during the past six months than for the same period

Henry Spring (Spring & Company)— Taken altogether there has been a slight increase in the volume of busi-ness done. Collections have been good.

About of Last Year. W. S. Gunn Gunn Hardware com-W. S. Gunn Gunn Hardware company. Last your was an exceptionally good one in our business, and we hardly expect to exect it, but, so far this year, will run slightly shead of last, and collections have surprised us notwithstanding the hard times. We are, as we have every reason to be, satisfied with our trade so far this year.

T. S. Freeman merchandise broker—With me business has been very decidedly better during the six months just cheed than during the corresponding period hast year.

period hast year.
C. T. Bunting (Bunting & Davis)—Our business has been satisfactory during the period named, though we have

fell the stringency in the money market Frank E. Leonard (H. Leonard &

lections good.

Safe Policy to Pursue.

S. M. Lemon & Wheeler com-pany: We can speak only for ourselves. For the month of June our sales and col-lections were larger than for any corres-pading menta during our business career, and the first six months of this year showed a marked increase in our business over any previous correspond-ing period. As to the immediate future our opinion would, at the best, he mere speculation; but for the past sixty or nicety days retail merchants have been reducing their liabilities, and, of neces sity, have to some extent reduced their stocks; therefore, few, if any, have much surplus stock on hand at present, much surplus stock on hand at present, consequently a hand to mouth policy may be pursued for some months to come and, by the way, that is after all a safe policy to pursue, particularly in close times. Assuming, therefore, that merchants are now carrying light stocks, and that the people must eat in order to live, we see no good reason why we may not look for the usual volume of trade.

Steady Increase Shown. Amea S. Musselman (Musselman Gro-

Frank Jewell (I. M. Clark Grocery company)—Trade so for this year is better than a year age, and collections have been very good. Business generally throughout the state has been very good and we have best less money during the period mained than in any sunlar period since the house was otcun-

Milton Roeder (Reeder Bros. Shoe company)—Bandress is better this year than instead collections good. We are

M S. Coodman (Hareltine & Perkins Drug company) - Our business was fully 4 per cent better during the six months. just ended than during the same period and year. This is very satisfactory considering that the country is suffering from the weest attack of hard times it

has had for years.

Sien W. Putnam (Putnam Candy company — One Summers shows an increase of from 10 to 12 per cent for the first six mention of this year over the corresponding period had year. But the Business are is and the world's fair will are included by have a bad effect upon the next six months. months.

They "Get Business." Fall Decembly (Houseman, Donnally & Journal Out Images has been very extlained by the Houseman beautiful for the second to get business anyway we got it.

William Judeon (Oliney & Judeon Gracety company)—Hoth sales and cellections are absent of last year, and we see very much gratified with the business those

Sterens (Poster, Stevens & Ca.) Our business up to July ! this year as never hetter, and collections bare here week. As to the future, I am no people i, and have no opinion to offer.

J. Smitister (Volgt, Herpointermer & Ca.)—We have had a prosperous half year. Collections have been very good.

A. E. Grooks (A. F. Brooks & Ca.)—Our huscress has exceeded that of last year in the period named. Collections have been exceeded to a good reason being excellent. I see no good reason by we should not have a good fall tradet crop (prespents are good, and, tradet crop prospects are good, and, when that is the case, business is al-

WHEN PROBE

Prospect is Bright.
Fred H. Hall (Hall Barchart Putman company)—Buch mouth has shown a suprising shift very gratifying Increase over last year's transverse. Collections are good. The stringency in the money unreset has not affected country dealers breaty oppositions extent. The pinch has been felt mostly in the money content and aming manufacturers. The presents for the future might be brighted, but we are hoping for the heat.

J. W. Thomas Hadson Tower Clothing companyly Enginess has been botter this judge than last. The fire weather through March and April started the summer trade somewhat our last than maked but the half year was Prospect is Bright.

our let then name but the half year was above the arreage all through.

It is Stateges L. F. Swift & Capullmentes this year is far ahead of last, and collections are satisfactory.

Nothing But Four to Blasse.

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J. S. Hierfu (Hieth, Kraum & Col)—
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DETECTED SEVERAL PRAUDS.

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Effective.

The Charity society is doing some effective work in detecting professional paupers and fraudulent seekers for alma. Last week some person telephoned the society office that a man had called on him with a subscription book representing that he was caring for a large family and could not get along without aid. He saked the fellow where he lived and received the regly that he lived at No. 364 West Bridge street. The matter was investigated and no such number was found on West Bridge street. Yesterday another gentleman telephoned that a man resuling at No. 364 East Bridge street had called on him with a subscription book and had told a story similar to the story kold by the man of a week previous. The case was immediately investigated and no such number existed on East Bridge street. It was quite evident that the man with the subscription book is a fraud. He is still at large, and the society wishes to be notified of his whersabouts if he approaches any one else for aid.

Another case is that of a little girl who sells flowers and pleads with people to purchase them for she is very poor and her mother is sick. As soon as the case was investigated it was found that she had given the right name, but had given the resistence of a relative and not her own home. She was traced out and the family as visiting the world's fair and all were well drossed and well feel. The father forces the child to go out and sell flowers. The society wishes places for several women and wishes to get a girl to take care of a baby while the mother works at her trade. Miss Field wishes the citizens of Grand Rapids to know the kind of work the society is doing, and if application is made for alms she wishes to be notified at once.

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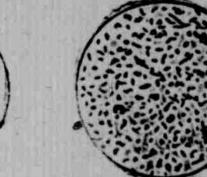
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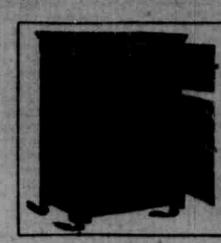


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